

ESTABLISHED 1861.

## GREAT GERMAN ATTACK REPULSED BY FRENCH

FIGHTING IS HEAVY  
ON VERDUN FRONT

Spirited Artillery Duel is Engaged In along the British Front in France.

## BRITISH USE GAS SHELLS

Germans Violently Bombard French Positions in Sectors near Verdun.

PARIS, July 22.—A strong German attack northwest of St. Die in the Vosges was repulsed Friday night by the French, the war office report on Saturday says.

On the Verdun front the Germans bombarded violently French positions in the sectors of Fleury and Fumivert.

In the region of Moulinous-Toulzant, a strong German reconnaissance was dispersed.

SPIRITED ARTILLERY  
DUEL IS RECORDED

LONDON, July 22.—A spirited artillery duel along the British front in northern France, during which British front lines and supporting trenches were bombarded with gas shells and projectiles containing eye irritants, is recorded in Saturday's war office report.

## GREAT BLUNDER

Is the Recent Publication by the British Government of Blacklist of American Firms.

LONDON, July 22.—A neutral diplomat exceptionally well informed regarding the details of the economic war, which Great Britain is waging on the central powers, declared today to a representative of the Associated Press that he regarded the recent publication by the British government of the blacklist of certain American firms as "the greatest possible tactical blunder at this stage when a German loan is about to be floated in America and important Russian financial arrangements are under way there."

"It is a blunder," continued the diplomat, "because it is unnecessary since for months most of the firms on the list have been on a sub-rosa blacklist. At any rate they were not on the white list, so the government had complete control over any of their operations which touched British territory."

## LONG AUTO TRIP.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil J. Francois, and children, Ruth and Joseph, left Saturday morning in their large Buick touring car for Kokomo, Ind., where they will spend several weeks visiting relatives.

## GO TO RICHWOOD.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Fogle, son and daughter, left Saturday morning for Richwood, where they will spend a few days' vacation. The Rev. Mr. Fogle was formerly pastor of the Calvary Methodist Episcopal church, South, at Richwood.

FARM EXTENSION WORK  
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Report Shows Institutes Held Last Year and Appropriation Almost Doubled.

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## Federal Funds Increased.

The state appropriation was the same, but the funds received from the United States, under the Smith-Lever act, was increased from \$19,000 to \$22,071; the appropriations of counties and organizations was increased in the year from \$11,639.94 to \$38,158; the funds contributed by the federal department of agriculture was increased from \$23,000 to \$25,000.

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## 120 Institutes.

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## WARSPITE

Reported Sunk is Seen by Associated Press Correspondent at a British Port.

LONDON, July 22.—Doubts concerning the fate of the British battleship Warspite, which may have been caused by German assertions that it was sunk in the Jutland battle, were dispelled when a representative of the Associated Press and other neutral correspondents visited this week a British port where the squadron of Vice Admiral Sir David Beatty was viewed. The entire squadron was ready for work. Whatever damages it suffered in the battle have been repaired and no scars were visible.

## PUBLISHERS

Are Invited by Federal Trade Commission to Be Represented at Hearing.

WASHINGTON, July 22.—Newspaper publishers throughout the country were invited today by the federal trade commission to be represented at a hearing here on August 1 at 10 a. m. on whether there has been an undue increase in the price of news print paper. The commission will conduct an exhaustive investigation of which the public hearings will be the first step.

The commission has sent word to 2,000 daily newspapers and 4,000 weekly papers asking those who cannot appear to submit any information they may have in writing. The commission wants specific information of prices, quantities and other facts bearing on the increase.

WOMEN OF LONDON  
IN A LABOR PARADE

Showing What They Are Doing during the War to Aid Their Country's Cause.

LONDON, July 22.—British women gave an impressive demonstration Saturday of their work in the war, thousands participating in a parade through the central districts of London.

The parade was divided into numerous sections with tableaux on lorries representing women in working costumes showing how they have replaced men in various activities.

There were women in overalls from munition factories, chauffeurs, street car conductors, nurses, railroad workers and agricultural laborers. In the procession also were floats in the form of emblematic memorials to Earl Kitchener and the soldiers and sailors who have been killed in the war. Other women impersonated detachments of troops from the British dominions and from all the Allied armies.

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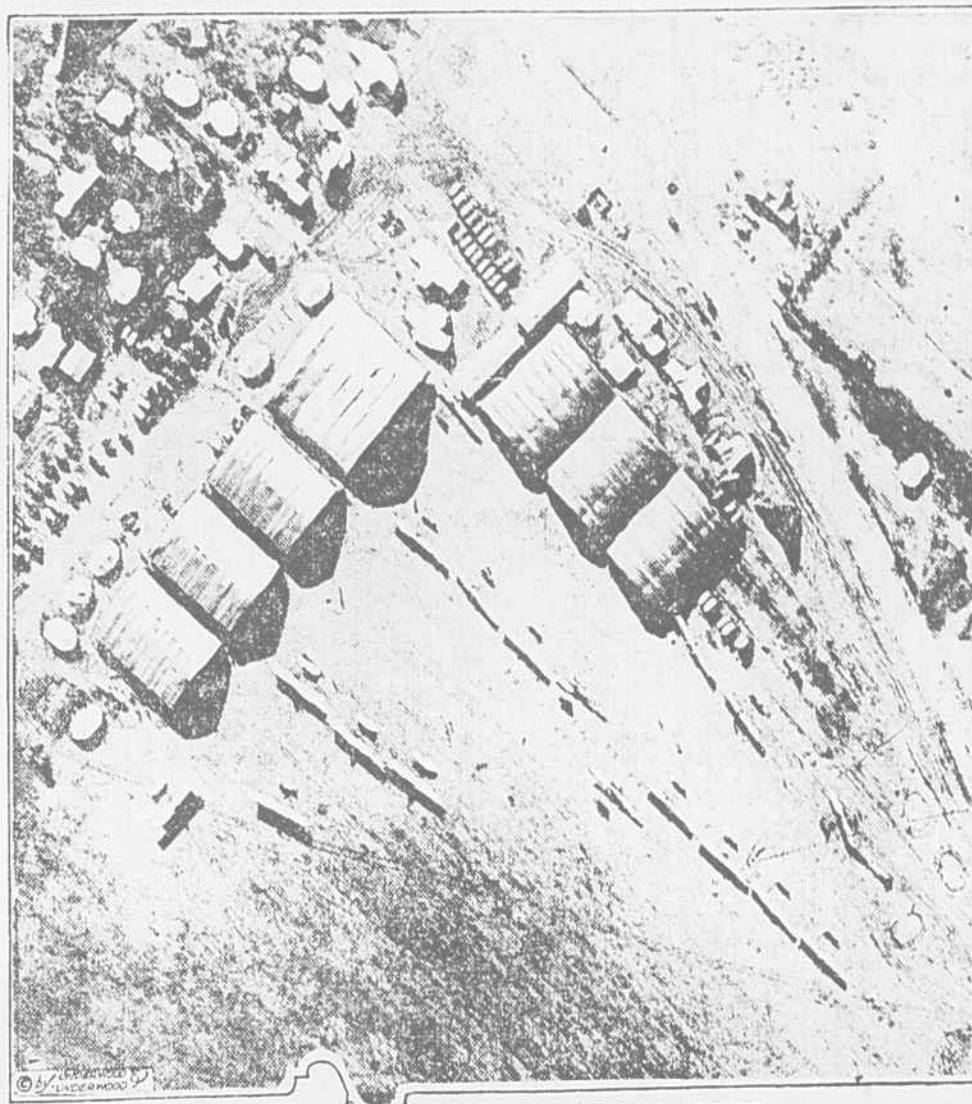
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## FRENCH AVIATION CAMP AT VERDUN AS SEEN FROM THE SKY



This remarkable picture was taken from a French aeroplane about 500 metres in the air directly over a French aviation camp near Verdun. The photograph plainly shows the aero hangars and in front of them the insect-like war planes. Grouped about the hangars are motor trucks and cars, and to the left are shown a number of tents, the living abodes of the aviators, pilots and others situated about the camp. The broad white streak running diagonally across the photo is a road.

## CERTIFICATES

Are Issued to Three State Corporations Two of Which Are Local.

Certificates of incorporations have been issued by the secretary of state to the following new concerns:

La Union Fraternal, Northview, W. Va.; to provide benefits for disabled members; no stock. Incorporators: Joel Lorenzo, Andrew Diaz, Roman Alonzo, Manuel Gonzales and others of Clarksburg.

The Sunlight Specialty Manufacturing Company of Clarksburg; to manufacture furniture and specialties; capital, \$5,000. Incorporators: M. B. Newlon, John E. Skiffington, C. A. Butcher, H. E. Hayes and J. M. Carskadon, all of Clarksburg.

The Burnover Heater Company of Wheeling; to manufacture stoves; capital, \$25,000. Incorporators: William Lippard, Louise Lippard, Albert Eick of Martins Ferry, O.; James W. Garber of Bethesda, O.; J. L. Sawtelle of Wheeling.

## BAWSLEY CHILD BURIED.

Funeral services over the body of John Bawsley, aged five months, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William Coffman, of 125 Maud street, who died at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon following a short illness of cholera infantum, were held Saturday afternoon at the Coffman home and the burial was in the Masonic cemetery.

## PITTSBURG TRAIN LATE.

The Baltimore and Ohio passenger train operating between Pittsburgh and this city and due to arrive each morning at the local station at 8:30 o'clock was an hour and ten minutes late Saturday morning. A freight wreck at Jayne between here and Fairmont made it necessary for the train to be sent around by the way of Grafton, causing the delay.

CHILD PLAGUE  
TAKES STRIDE

More Deaths Caused by It Friday Than on Any Previous Day of Epidemic.

BATON ROUGE, La., July 22.—The Louisiana state board of education has put its foot down on Mother Goose rhymes, throwing out a reader series because of these ditties in them. Ex-Governor Hall and other prominent members, who are plantation born and reared thought they belittled the farmer.

Superintendent of Education Harris and other members of the board fought valiantly for the rhymes, but were outvoted.

## THRESH BY ELECTRICITY.

For the first time in Kansas, so far as is known, wheat is being threshed by electric power. Nine wheat growers at Abilene have organized a co-operative company. They obtained current over a transmission line. The cost is said to be 50 per cent. less than that of threshing by steam.

AN EARLY CANNING  
CAMPAIGN IS BEGUN

## RESTING EASIER

In St. Mary's Hospital is Rita Mayo Who Attempted to Commit Suicide.

Rita Mayo, of Belington, who attempted to commit suicide late Friday afternoon by taking a deadly drug, is resting easier at St. Mary's hospital today, after being critically ill all night. Her condition is still serious and it will not be known for several days whether she will recover.

Miss Mayo was arrested by City Detective L. L. White Friday afternoon on a warrant sworn out in Magistrate R. E. Kidd's court charging her with giving a worthless check for \$25.45 to M. Friedlander, a Fourth street merchant. Detective White after arresting Miss Mayo brought her to Friedlander's store and while there she fell in a faint and told the detective and clerks in the store that she had taken poison. A physician was called and she was removed to the hospital.

## THURSTON IS ILL.

OMAHA, Neb., July 22.—Joan M. Thurston, aged 70, former United States senator from Nebraska, is seriously ill at a hospital here. Physicians attribute his illness to the hot weather.

## TO PREACH AS USUAL.

The Rev. Dr. Charles B. Mitchell will preach as usual Sunday morning in Christ Episcopal church.

ALLIED WARSHIPS  
ON ALERT FOR SUBVENTILATION  
OF TUNNELS  
IS PLANNED

By the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad and Tunnel Just East of City is Included.

BALTIMORE, July 22.—Comforts of travel on the St. Louis line of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad have been increased by an improved system for ventilating tunnels which has been installed in the mountainous district traversed in West Virginia between Clarksburg and Parkersburg. A ventilating plant has been completed at Eaton and work of similar character is being rushed as rapidly as possible at West Union. Two others at Silver Run and Ocean, will be ventilated during the present season.

The ventilating system, involving an expenditure of \$70,000 each, drives fresh air ahead of trains and insures comfortable temperature. This is accomplished by means of large revolving fans propelled by steam power plants located near the portals. The water supply necessary for the operation of the plants was secured by digging wells to a depth below the point of pollution.

Some time ago the Baltimore and Ohio installed a ventilating system in the westbound bore of Kingwood tunnel. This experiment has proved satisfactory.

Lucius Hoge, Jr., returned Saturday morning from Cincinnati where he attended the Rotarian convention.

Whose Departure from Baltimore Will Probably Be before Next Wednesday.

## ARE OFF CAPE HENRY

Speed is Quickened and They Resume Regular North and South Patrol.

NORFOLK, Va., July 22.—Allied warships off Cape Henry awaiting departure by the German submarine Deutschland after a night of slow cruising during which their searchlights were played over the entrance to the capes frequently, at daylight today quickened their speed and resumed their regular north and south patrol.

It is estimated that the ships are today from eight to ten miles out. At one time last night one of them, presumably a French ship, moved in to within five miles of Virginia Beach, coming closer to shore than it had at any previous time. It was impossible at that distance to determine its identity. It had four funnels. The other ship, which is of a darker color and is supposed to be British, carried three funnels.

Despite reports from Baltimore that Count von Bernstorff plans to visit the Deutschland again next Wednesday, German sources maintained it will be far out in the Atlantic by that time. Furthermore they say the Bremen will be in some American port.

## MERE FLEA BITE

Reported Proposed Indemnity to Belgium by Germany is Characterized.

AMSTERDAM, July 22.—Posters have been pasted on the walls of barracks in Ghent stating that negotiations between the United States and Germany for the evacuation of Belgium, according to the Echo Belge. According to the posters Germany is prepared to withdraw from Belgium on the payment of an indemnity of forty billion marks. The Echo Belge comments sarcastically on this proposal, terming the proposed indemnity "a mere flea bite."

## EXPLOSION OCCURS.

KENVIL, N. J., July 22.—Seven employees of the Hercules Powder Company were injured today in an explosion in the plant's dry house. The company denied reports that a number of men were killed.

## STEAMERS SUNK.

LONDON, July 22.—A despatch to Lloyd's from Algiers says that the British steamer Yarm, 2,354 tons, and the French steamer Oetol, 1,200 tons, have been sunk. The crew was landed at Algiers.

## TO MAKE ADDRESS.

Charles M. Arehart, of Wheeling, will deliver an address in St. Paul's Episcopal church, South, at 11 o'clock Sunday morning and the Rev. W. L. Hauser will preach there at 8 o'clock in the evening.

ONLY FEW HOURS MORE  
TO WORK FOR THE RING

## QUARANTINE

Regulations of Towns near New York City Drive People Back to Latter City.

NEW YORK, July 22.—Quarantine regulations of increasing severity due to the fear of the spread of infantile paralysis were reported Saturday from a number of cities and towns near New York.

At Mountain View, N. J., about 100 summer colonists of New York City have been ordered to leave their bungalows along the Passaic river and return home. Some of them who reached this city Saturday said that a wreck on the branch railroad line prevented them temporarily from leaving Mountain View and many who had gone to the railroad station were forbidden to return to their cottages.

## TO MEET.

In September at White Sulphur Springs are Postmasters.

CHARLESTON, July 22.—The annual convention of West Virginia postmasters will be held at White Sulphur Springs probably in September, according to Postmaster Julius A. Gruyter. It was originally planned to hold the meeting in August but the management of the resort announced that more favorable terms could be secured the later month.

Which is a Special Offer to Those Engaged in the Club Contest.

Only a few hours more in which to work for the \$125 diamond ring and big special vote in the Telegram 10,000 Club. Nine o'clock tonight will mark the close of the diamond ring week and with it will come the reduction of bonus votes. Subscriptions to count on the diamond ring and to count on this week's clubbing offer will have to be turned in by 9 o'clock or mailed by that hour. For every club of \$15 that you turn in, you will receive a bonus vote ballot for 20,000 extra votes. If you want the beautiful diamond, you had better try to get a few of these clubs as most all members will make a bid for it.

There will be no clubbing offer of any kind put on for the coming week, and all those having a part of a club should try to complete it this week as it will help you get the extra votes.

If you have any promises to try to get them in tonight in order that they may be counted on the diamond ring. Remember that the club is trying hard and to keep a crowd, you must work hard too. The end is only a week away and it may be the effort that you put forth today that will win the Overland touring car for you. Think of the long list of valuable awards that will be given away free to those who have worked conscientiously during the campaign. There are no strings attached to them and it is as very simple as ABC to work with the best of them. So on down to the last. Are you going to put your name on the list?